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**CHAFEE ANNOUNCES GRANT FOR EAST
PROVIDENCE SENIOR PROGRAM**
East Bay RSVP to receive \$30,000 for 50 volunteers

WASHINGTON, DC -- U.S. Senator Lincoln Chafee announced today that he had secured \$30,000 from the Corporation for National and Community Service. The grant will provide 50 new Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteers at the East Bay Community Action Self Help Center in East Providence.

“This grant, while not a large amount, will have a very positive impact on the young Rhode Islanders who will be tutored, mentored and have their overall lives greatly improved,” Chafee said. “I applaud the Corporation for National and Community Service and the seniors who participate in and support this most worthwhile program,” Chafee continued.

50 new RSVP volunteers will enable the project to expand services to children. 30 RSVP volunteers will mentor 30 K-6 children of incarcerated parents to improve their chances of being accepted to competitive high schools and avoid negative behaviors and crime.

In addition, 20 RSVP volunteers will assist the Rhode Island Court Appointed Special Advocates Program (CASA) in building its organizational capacity to better serve their children, with the result that more children will be in stable environments and fewer children will be in night-to-night placements.

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